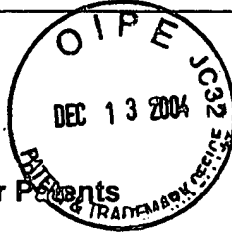


# PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

ADDRESS TO:

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**



Attorney Docket No.: 97,008-W  
 Application No.: 09/931,513  
 Filing Date: August 16, 2001  
 First Named Inventor: Copeland  
 Group Art Unit: 1743  
 Examiner: Alexander

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to December 9, 2004.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

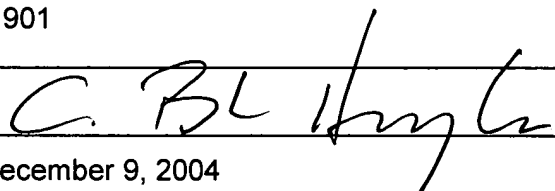
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| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))   | \$        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  | \$1590.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))  | \$        |

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name	A. Blair Hughes
Reg. No.	32,901
Signature	
Date	December 9, 2004

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 02 FC:1402

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